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19 June 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Operations

Deputy Director for Management and Services

General Counsel

SUBJECT:

H.R. 8152 - Amendment to Title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968

- 1. Attached for your information is an excerpt from yesterday's Congressional Record covering House approval of an amendment which is directed at CIA. The basic legislation (H. R. 8152) amends Title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968. The floor amendment was not considered in committee and was offered on 18 June by Miss Holtzman. Its effect is to take away the authority of the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration to use the available services, equipment, personnel, and facilities of CIA in carrying out the Administration's functions under the Act.
- 2. The legal effect of the Holtzman amendment falls somewhat short of the colloquy which appears to have been prepared with a broader bill in mind H.R. 8432). The Koch bill would cut off any direct or indirect CIA assistance to State or local government law enforcement activities and thereby prohibit communication of foreign intelligence information through the FBI to local government units on narcotics, terrorist bomb threats, etc. The Koch bill has been referred to House Armed Services Committee since it is in the form of an amendment to the National Security Act of 1947. We are currently drafting an Agency position on the bill for submission to Chairman Hebert.
- 3. H.R. 8152 passed the House yesterday and should be referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee shortly. Suggestions for an Agency position to be taken with the Senate Judiciary Committee is herewith requested on a priority basis.

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under the bill's language, any judge worth his salt would throw the case out so fost it would make your head swim. CHAIRMAN. The question is on

the anardment offered by the gentleman from Oh (Mr. Keating).

The question was taken; and the Chairman a nounced that the ayes ap-

peare to have it. i. CORDED VOTE

Mr. RODING Mr. Chairman, I demand a recorde \vote.

A resorded vote has ordered.

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vice, and there were ayes 227, noes 162, presen 1, not voting as follows: [Roll No. AYES-227 Goldwater Pritchard Abdnor Lilsback Riidall Andrewi N.C. Goodling Green, Oreg. Andrews. Gross Grover Res. la Rhoc. s Rinale Archer Arends Armstron Gubser Gunter Roberts Robinso, Robison, Guyer Bafalis Baker Haley Hammer-Beard Rogers Roncallo, N schmidt Bell Hanrahan Hansen, Idaho Bevill Rose Rousselot Bowen Harsha Bray Runnels Breaux Harvey Ruth Brinkley Hastings St Germain Broomfield Sandman Brown, Mica. Brown, Oh Heinz Henderson Hillis Sarasin Satterfield Broyhill, N Broyhill, V Hinshaw Saylor Scherle Hogan Schneebeli Buchanan \
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So the amendment was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT OFFERED BY MISS HOLTZMAN Miss HOLTZMAN. Mr. Chairman, I offer an amendment.

The Clerk read as follows:

Amendment offered by Miss Holtzman: On page 36, line 7, insert immediately after "Federal Government" the following: "not including the Central Intelligence Agency."

(Miss HOLTZMAN asked and was given permission to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. HOLTZMAN. Mr. Chairman, my amendment is very simple. It would pro-

activities under the auspices of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets

As we all know, the CIA is not authorized to engage in domestic law enforcement activities under the statute creating it—the National Security Act of 1947.

Nonetheless, the CIA has been training and working with local law enforcement agencies throughout the country—citing as its authority to do so section 508 of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act which created LEAA. This provision is almost identical to section 508 of the bill we are considering

The domestic activity of the CIA, of which I learned only last week, was not brought to the attention of the Committee on the Judiciary during its deliberations on H.R. 8152. It is clear to me, however, that the House Judiciary Committee never contemplated that section 508 would permit the CIA to engage

in such activities.

The activities of the Central Intelligence Agency under LEAA have been documented by the General Accounting Office, by letters from James R. Schlesinger, Jr., former Director of the CIA, and by other Members of this House. I should also point out that it was through the efforts of my distinguished colleague from New York (Mr. Koch) that the involvement of the CIA in these activities came to the attention of the

House in the first place.

Under the color of the Safe Streets Act the CIA has given the following kind of aid to about a dozen city and county police agencies throughout the country: instruction in record handling, clandestine photography, surveillance of individuals, detection and identification of metal and explosive devices and analysis of foreign intelligence data. I might add it has carried out these activities without having been requested to do so by the Administrator of LEAA as section 508 of both the existing legislation and the bill we are considering today requires. In New York City alone 14 policemen were given briefings on the analysis and processing of foreign intelligence information.

An even more troublesome problem is that although the CIA has been apparently restricting itself to training activities and technical assistance under title I of the 1968 act, the language of that statute as well as the provision before us is sweeping enough to authorize the CIA to use its own personnel in the actual performance of local law enforcement activities.

It is perfectly clear that whatever activities the CIA has performed or may perform in connection with local law enforcement efforts, such activities could more appropriately be carried out by other Federal agencies such as the FBI.

For this reason, the Justice Department has advised me that excluding the CIA from participation in local law enforcement activities would not jeopardize the functioning of local law enforcement agencies or the functioning of LEAA.

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creates dangers of enormous proportions to this country. Recent events, such as the burglary of the office of Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatrist, demonstrate that CIA involvement in domestic law enforcement activities can abridge constitutional rights and jeopardize the integrity of the CIA itself. In fact, it is significant that the CIA involvement in the Ellsberg matter came in the form of "technical assistance"—the same kind of assistance supposedly provided by the CIA to local law enforcement agencies.

My amendment would prevent such dangers from happening by limiting the activities of the CIA to areas of its legitimate concern and preventing it from diverting its resources and attention to

local law enforcement.

I therefore respectfully urge the adoption of this amendment which is wholly in keeping with the spirit and purpose of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act, and prevents CIA involvement in local law enforcement.

Mr. RODINO. Mr. Chairman, will the

gentlewoman yield?

Miss HOLTZMAN, I am happy to yield to the chairman, the distinguished gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. Rodino).

Mr. RODINO. Mr. Chairman, I would like to state that the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from New York (Miss Holtzman) is one that I think is in keeping with the true purpose of the act, and that it remedies a deficiency that has been overlooked. I certainly will accept the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from New York.

Miss HOLTZMAN. I thank the gentle-

man.

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. Chairman,

will the gentlewoman yield?

Miss HOLTZMAN. I will be happy to yield to the distinguished ranking minority member on the committee.

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. Chairman, I thank the gentlewoman for yielding to

Mr. Chairman, certainly the CIA has no function in our domestic law enforcement. If the CIA has been engaging in such activities, citing any part of the LEAA law as their authority, that matter should be clarified. I can see absolutely no harm in the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from New York. I think that it clarifies the law. Therefore, Mr. Chairman, I would indicate my support for the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from New York (Miss Holtzman).

Miss HOLTZMAN. I thank the gentle-

The CHAIRMAN. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from New York (Miss Holtzman).

The amendment was agreed to.

A LENDMENT OFFERED BY MR. FLOWERS "LOWERS. Mr. Chairman, I of-

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Amendment red by Mr. Flowers: On page 42, amend 5 ion 518 by adding the following new subsecting after line 22:

a silability or amount of a grant upon, the ption by an applicant or grantee under itle of a percentage ratio, quota system, or ot. or program to achieve racial balance or to elimente racial imbalance in any law enforce, ent agency, or (2) to deny or dis-continue, grant because of the refusal of an applicatt or grantee under this title to adopt such a ratio, system, or other program."

And on line 23 redesignate subsection (b) as subsection

Mr. FLOWER'S. Mr. Chairman, this is new language in ofar as this bill is con-cerned. However, t is not new language insofar as the present Law Enforcement Assistance Administration law is concerned. It is a part of the current law. I would like to make that clear to my colleagues.

This is not new to the LEAA law. It is in the current law that this enacted by

the Congress in 1968.

Now, how did we get into position we are in now, that this language is not a

part of the committee bill?

First of all, it was left out of the administration bill which was so it up to us. It was left out partly, I think, because the administration bill was a special revenue-sharing bill. It did not contain the categorical and bloc grant app. oach that we have now in the current law and that we have in the committee bill that is before this Chamber.

Mr. Chairman, what the committee d. d with the administration bill primarily was to change this section by adding what had been proposed by various civil rights groups, sections (b) (1), (b) (2), and (b) (3) to the bill. They are found following the part that I propose to amend and I have no objection to these provisions. All testimony, and the consensus of the committee, tells us that this vastly strengthens the civil rights provisions of the LEAA law.

I say this, however, Mr. Chairman. I fear that if at the same time we are strengthening these civil rights provisions we take out this very clear prohibition on the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, a prohibition which

merely states that:

Notwithstanding any other provision of law nothing contained in this title shall be construed to authorize the Administration (1) to require, or condition the availability or amount of a grant upon, the adoption by an applicant or grantee under this title of a percentage ratio, quota system, or other program to achieve racial balance. . .

If on the one and we vastly strengthen the civil rights provisions, but on the other hand we are taking out what is part of the current law, I say that there can be no other reception for this by the administration, or by any group of persons around the country, than that we intend to require quotas or percentage ratios, and we ought to condition grants upon the adoption of such a system by a prospective grantee.

I say, Mr. Chairman, by taking this out of the law-and all I propose to do is to keep what is in the current lawwe would be opening the door to interference of all kinds-interference of the

partment in every district around this

Mr. CONYERS. Mr. Chairman, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. FLOWERS. I yield to the gentleman from Michigan.

Mr. CONYERS. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

I do not know if my hearing is failing me. Did the gentleman say this amendment strengthens the civil rights provisions of LEAA?

Mr. FLOWERS. I did not say that. Mr. CONYERS. I did not think the

gentleman did.

Mr. FLOWERS. I said that the other amendments we have added to this section vastly strengthened the civil rights provisions, and I said I supported those amendments.

Mr. CONYERS. Then if it does not strengthen the civil rights provisions in LEAA, could I have the temerity to ask the gentleman, does it weaken the pres-

ent provisions?

Mr. FLOWERS. I do not think it is incompatible with the strengthening provisions of the bill. I do not think it either weakens or strengthens. It merely states what it says it states insofar as the current law is concerned.

Mr. Chairman, I say that this is a very simple matter that ought to be included in these amendments and the further extension of this act, and I ask my colleagues in the House to support the

amendment. Miss JORDAN. Mr. Chairman, I rise n opposition to the amendment.

(Miss JORDAN asked and was given permission to revise and extend her rei (arks.)

Miss JORDAN. Mr. Chairman, the gent eman from Alabama is absolutely amendment neither correct. His amendment neither streng hens nor weakens the civil rights enforcement provisions in this legislation. It does confuse the civil rights enforcemen provisions in this legislation.

Let us toderstand that the antiquota provision diain current law, but removal of that provision from the law was recommended 1,5t by the NAACP, nor by the Urban Lei (ue; not by any social critics, but by the administration headed by the Presiden Mr. Nixon.

I ask the Menthers is this present administration a propacial quota adminis-

tration?

I would suggest that the fact the Nixon administratio itself recommends that we take this quota provision out of the law is proof that we now have a provision in the bill which will strengthen civil rights enforcement, a provision in the bill which will not say we cut off the funds if they simply discriminate, but that this .\aw Enforcement Assistance Administration must adhere to the provisions of t tle 6 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, that 'before any funds are denied any agency or entity in terms of the charge they have discriminated must be entitled to a herring.

The Governor of the State is the first one who must make the effort to esolve any conflict which will exist. No otiahearings, due process, all is pro-

R000700190006-8 Because we have the provision in he